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Transmitted herewith for filing is a patent application as follows:

Inventor(s): Mu-Jing Li, Suryanarayana R. Maturi & Pankaj Dixit  
Title: Method and Apparatus for Efficiently Locating and Automatically Correcting  
Certain Violations in a Complex Existing Circuit Layout  
Assignee: Sun Microsystems, Inc.

Enclosed are:

- ☒ Application Data Sheet (3 page(s))
- ☒ Request for Non-Publication and Certification under 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i) (1 page(s))
- 27 Pages of Written Description (including Specification, Claims and Abstract)
- 3 Sheets of Drawings,    Formal / ☒ Informal
- ☒ Declaration for Patent Application (2 pages), ☒ Executed /    Unexecuted
- ☒ Assignment of the Invention (3 pages, including Cover Sheet)
- ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (       pages)
  - ☐ with Form(s) PTO 1449 (       page(s)) and copies of        reference(s)
- ☒ Other: Check in the amount of \$1482.00
- ☒ This Transmittal Letter (in duplicate) (2 page(s)) ☒ Return Postcard

CLAIMS AS FILED

	Number Filed	Number Extra	Rate	Fee
Basic Fee =				770.00
Total Claims	43 - 20	= 23	x \$18.00 =	414.00
Independent Claims	6 - 3	= 3	x \$86.00 =	258.00
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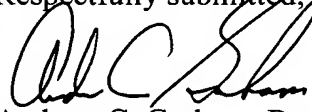
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Applicant(s): Mu-Jing Li, Suryanarayana R. Maturi, Pankaj Dixit  
Title: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR EFFICIENTLY LOCATING AND  
AUTOMATICALLY CORRECTING CERTAIN VIOLATIONS IN A  
COMPLEX EXISTING CIRCUIT LAYOUT  
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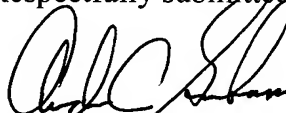
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I hereby certify that the invention disclosed in the attached application has not and will not be the subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral agreement, that requires publication at eighteen months after filing. I hereby request that the attached application not be published under 35 U.S.C. § 122(b).

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